

# THE ARMY FAMILY COVENANT: WHAT IT MEANS TO SINGLE PARENTS

**DEPLOYMENT CYCLE SUPPORT** AFC funding has allowed us to extend the operating hours of our child and youth programs beyond the normal duty day to meet the particular needs of the garrison. Likewise it has allowed for more respite child care – increasing it from 5 hours a child per month to 16 hours a child per month. Respite child care provides the single military parent the opportunity to take care of personal business and appointments while leaving children in the care of qualified CYS staff.

**CONSTRUCTION OF NEW CYS FACILITIES** Due to AFC initiatives, Army child and youth programs have entered one of the most intensive building periods in its history. Twenty-two CDCs were funded last year as recognition that the Army must have quality facilities to meet its growing needs.

**VIDEOS TO STRENGTHEN RESILIENCE IN MILITARY CHILDREN** AFC funded the distribution of 200,000 videos and training products to strengthen resilience in military children and worked with many local school districts to support the needs of children with single military parents.

**IMPROVED ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICE (ACS)  
TO MEET DEMAND** AFC funded 477 ACS staff positions to “right size” our ACS facilities to meet operational demands and help adapt to the changing Army Family.



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